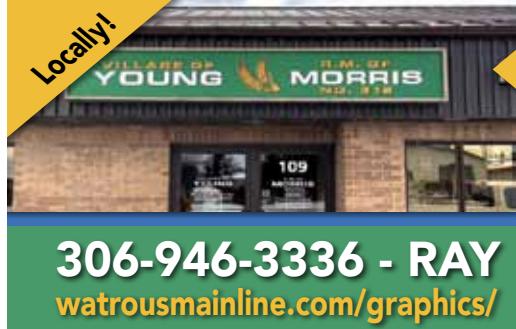


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► After a cooler start to April, as the final week arrived, temperatures began reflecting those observed during spring and not winter. The sunshine and nicer values also meant the return of crocuses which could be found within the local area.
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Phase one to reopen begins as new modelling data released

■ Daniel Bushman

After implementing restrictions and social distancing measures while methodically and cautiously evaluating the current situation in the province, the first phase of the Re-open Saskatchewan Plan begins May 4. As numbers of confirmed new cases of COVID-19 remained low last week with exception to Lloydminster and La Loche where the reopen plan has been put on hold, the launch of the first phase allows for some services to reopen with a second phase occurring later this month.

Phase one will allow for public access to medical services to be reinstated. That can also include access to dentistry, physical therapy, opticians, podiatry,

occupational therapy and chiropractic treatment. The provincial government said for those who reopen, when it is not possible to physically distance, providers will be required to take precautionary measures as outlined by the Chief Medical Health Officer.

Low-risk outdoor recreational activities will also be allowable with precautionary measures, including fishing and boat launches (May 4), golfing with physical distancing guidelines (May 15) and a fixed date (June 1) and clear guidelines for the operation of parks and campgrounds.

As those services commence and golf courses gear up to swing into the season May 15, the province's second phase of reopening will occur May 19. That phase will include the reopening of retail businesses and select personal ser-

vices that were previously not deemed allowable. Those retail businesses include: clothing stores; shoe stores; flower shops; sporting good/adventure stores; vaping supply shops; boats, ATV and snowmobile dealers; gift, book and stationery stores; jewelry and accessory stores; toy stores; music, electronic and entertainment stores; pawn shops; and travel agencies.

The personal service businesses that can begin providing services to the public include: hairdresser/barber; registered massage therapist; acupuncturist; and acupressurist.

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► Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, people have been coming up with some creative ways of getting together to celebrate and that was evident Apr. 25 in Watrous. Wanting to commemorate their friend's birthday, at 2 p.m. Saturday afternoon, members of the Ukulele Friends group gathered outside to wish Leah Ulyott a happy birthday. The group performed a few tunes while practicing social distancing as everyone enjoyed the songs and the sunshine.

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► Warm weather has not only eliminated the snow but has brought with it sunshine. That includes at Wellington Park at Manitou Beach where the creek has been flowing.

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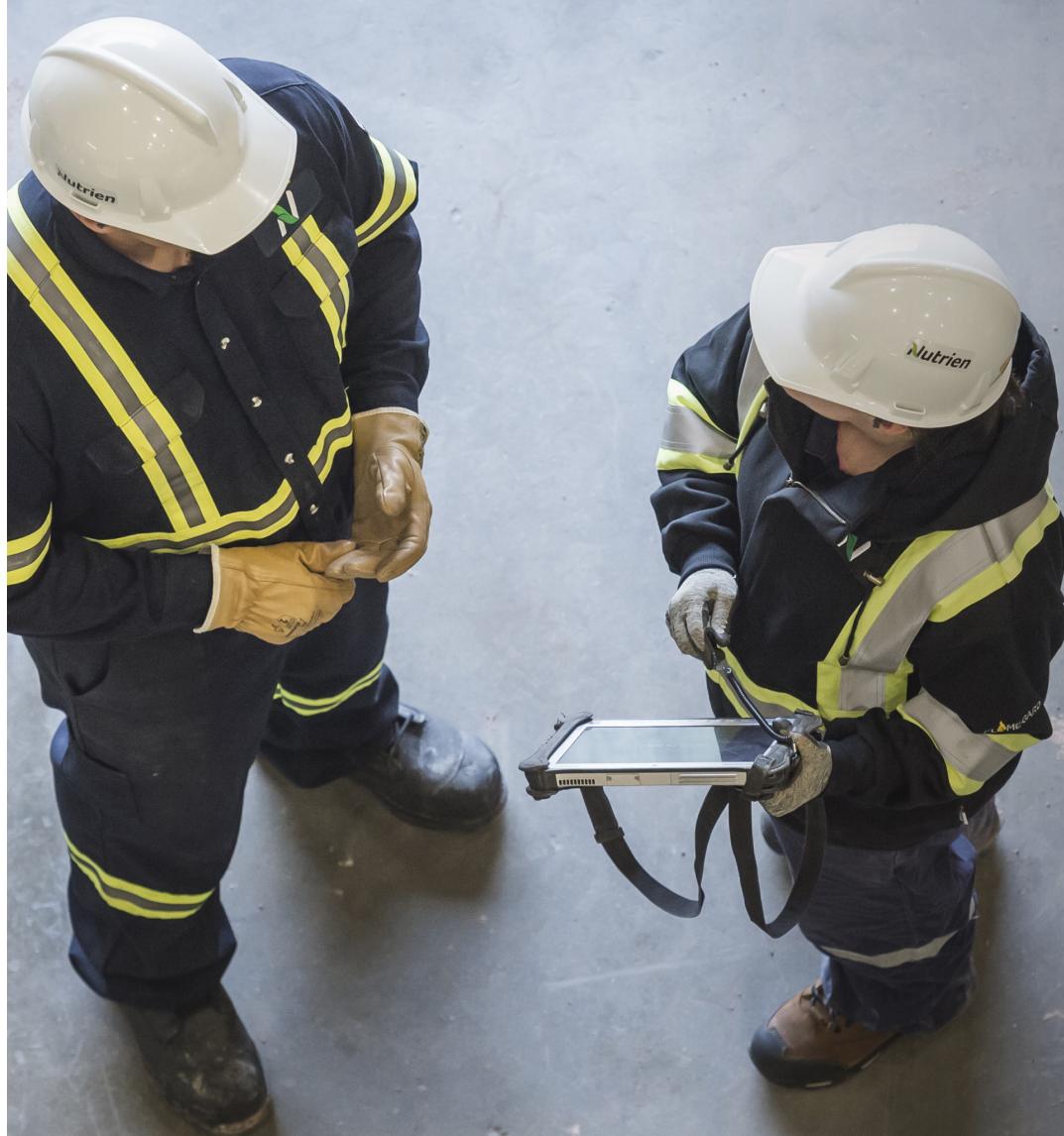
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(from front page: COVID-19)

In both phases, the size restrictions of public and private gatherings will remain at a maximum of 10 people. Meanwhile, the remaining three phases in the five phase plan have no determined start dates.

As Saskatchewan begins to reopen and other provinces across Canada release plans to reopen as well, there continues to be a strong emphasis on remaining vigilant in an effort to stop the spread of COVID-19. Noting that just because the province is moving forward does not mean that COVID-19 is gone from its borders, last Tuesday the Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) released new modelling data regarding what if scenarios.

After its original models were unveiled Apr. 8, SHA has since been able to include Saskatchewan specific data and through the efforts of residents in the province, the numbers indicated Saskatchewan is in a significantly better spot to manage COVID-19 than before.

The latest data showed the province's basic reproductive number for the virus is 3.12. SHA said that means the average number of people a single COVID-19 positive person in Saskatchewan would infect, had no interventions been undertaken and everyone was susceptible would be 3.12. However, with the introduction of public health measures in March and April, the effective reproductive number in Saskatchewan is actually 0.7 as of Apr. 25. That number is the average amount of people one person with the virus is likely to infect at the current time, after the effects of the interventions have been factored in.

While that number of 0.7 can change with behaviours and interventions, having it under the number one means the province is currently in a good spot.

Analysis going back to early March indicates the value of this number has been under one since early April.

"This new data brings with it cautious optimism," Saskatchewan Health Authority CEO Scott Livingstone said. "Thanks to the Saskatchewan people's efforts and our own robust actions on testing, contact tracing and other public health measures, we are flattening the curve and helping ensure our health system can manage the surge in demand that may come from COVID-19."

Using the new Saskatchewan specific data, SHA said it can now adjust its planning scenarios and continue to plan for the worst while aiming for the best. Because SHA was able to plug Saskatchewan specific data into its models, it also adjusted the province's COVID-19 Readiness Plan.

Stressing the models are not predictions but rather what ifs, SHA said they need to run the data in order to be prepared for a worst case scenario. However, that worst case scenario looked a lot better compared to the data from earlier in April.

From its Apr. 8 COVID-19 Readiness Plan and before it had its own reproductive number of 3.12, SHA took modelling estimates of three scenarios using a different reproductive number for each. From those scenarios released earlier in April:

• the upper-range (scen-

ario 1) showed 408,000 cumulative total cases with 710 hospital admissions per day, a hospital census of 4,265, 215 ICU admissions per day, an ICU census of 1,280, 1,230 patients requiring ventilation and a cumulative total of 8,370 deaths.

• mid-range analysis (scenario 2) showed 262,000 cumulative total cases, 205 hospital admissions per day, a hospital census of 1,265, 60 ICU admissions per day, an ICU census of 380, 370 patients requiring ventilation and a cumulative total of 5,260 deaths.

• low-range analysis (scenario 3) showed 153,000 cumulative total cases, 60 hospital admissions per day, a hospital census of 390, 20 ICU admissions per day, an ICU census of 120, 120 patients requiring ventilation and a cumulative total of 3,075 deaths.

Being able to have a better picture of what could occur in the province and remembering the number as of Apr. 25 was 0.7, SHA created the Saskatchewan Age Stratified Scenario using its reproductive number of 3.12. From that scenario it showed the province could have 254,756 cumulative total cases, 190 hospital admissions per day, a hospital census of 1,736, a total of 60 ICU admissions per day, an ICU census of 412, a total of 403 patients requiring ventilation and a cumulative total of 3,050 deaths.

SHA said the revised planning scenario ensures Saskatchewan remains prepared for a major surge. It also indicated the maximum capacity can be reduced by 1,000 hospital

beds, 400 ICU beds and 400 ventilators (total ventilators in planned scenario of 403 are within current SHA ventilator capacity of 486).

While the modelling numbers were encouraging as residents in Saskatchewan try to keep the spread of COVID-19 to a minimum, officials from SHA were quick to state that COVID-19 is not going away anytime soon. SHA indicated they will be monitoring the province as it begins to reopen in phases during May.

Along with its new Saskatchewan data modelling, SHA was also able to adjust its offensive and defensive portion of the COVID-19 Health System Readiness Plan.

From an offensive standpoint, some of those adjustments and continuations included:

• maximizing testing capacity, accessibility and speed, including ongoing expansion of rapid testing capability across the province and outreach to popu-

lations less likely to seek testing;

• surging contact tracing to stay ahead of demand, including a plan to meet any scenario up to 618 news cases per day in Saskatchewan;

• helping prevent spread by restricting staff to work in a single facility;

• contingency planning to use hotels to cohort COVID-19 positive patients who require intermediate care; and

• continuing to expand

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To be put on the list, please contact the office at 306-365-2924 or rm310@sasktel.net prior to Wednesday, May 20th at 12:00 p.m.



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“RCMP Report”

COVID-19-related Sask. RCMP calls for service

Below is a summary of COVID-19-related calls for service in Saskatchewan RCMP jurisdiction from Apr. 17 to 23.

There were 78 calls for service related to COVID-19: 43 complaints of social gatherings of over 10 people; eight complaints of people failing to self-isolate when allegedly required to do so; and 27 other COVID-19 related complaints.

Additionally, one charge was laid. A reminder that the Public Health Order is still in place and RCMP continue to work closely with Saskatchewan Health Authorities to investigate any potential violations of the Order.

The information above tells just one part of the story

of how the Saskatchewan RCMP is continuing to keep communities safe by responding to calls for service. Officers across the province continue to respond to calls for service unrelated to COVID-19 and have also participated in several birthday and community parades with partner agencies, when time permits.

RCMP know the weather has been nicer in many areas of the province; however, we must all continue do our part, from members of the public to police officers and beyond, to slow the spread of COVID-19. This includes continuing to stay home and refraining from gathering in groups over 10 and maintaining a distance of two metres or more.

Charges laid east of Biggar after hit and run

On Apr. 21 at approximately 8:50 p.m. Biggar RCMP responded to a motor vehicle collision south of Hwy. 51, approximately six kilometres east of Biggar.

It was reported that a truck travelling north collided with a parked car. The driver of the truck then drove into a field and fled on foot. The female driver of the car was reported to have sustained minor injuries.

Twenty-nine-year-old Steven Watson from Biggar is charged with: Assault with a Weapon, Sec. 267(a) of the

CC; Dangerous Operation of a Motor Vehicle, Sec. 320.13(1) of the CC; Failure to Stop After an Accident, Sec. 320.16(1) of the CC; and Failure to Comply with Release Order Conditions, Sec. 145(5)(a) of the CC.

Watson is scheduled to make his first appearance in Biggar Provincial Court Aug. 5, 2020.

Fatal motor vehicle collision

On Apr. 27 at approximately 4:30 a.m., White Butte RCMP responded to a fatal motor vehicle collision southeast of Pense.

A pickup truck travelling on a grid road left the roadway and rolled multiple times. A lone occupant in the vehicle was located passed away by RCMP at the scene. The deceased was identified by RCMP as a 19-year-old male from Alberta.

The White Butte RCMP believe a second vehicle may have been involved and are requesting any witnesses or persons with information to contact the White Butte RCMP by calling 306-781-5050. Information can also be submitted anonymously through Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers by calling 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or submit a tip online at www.saskcrimestoppers.com

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We had a very nice shower in April, which kind of cleaned things up a bit. Now I am looking forward to May flowers. I would love to see a crocus; I have not seen one in years.

Congratulations to Angelique for placing first from Viscount Central School in last week's challenge. Congratulations to Spencer who is this week's first place Viscount Central School challenger for

the Saskchanaut Geo Trivia Challenge.

This is the first year in years that there will not be any May Viscount community garage sales. Hopefully things will be better in the fall.

Best wishes to anyone who is under the weather. I hope you feel better soon. Stay safe everyone and have a great week. Enjoy your outside space as much as possible.



COMMUNITY NOTICE

Annual Vegetation Management Program

Every year, CN is required to clear its right-of-way from any vegetation that may pose a safety hazard. Vegetation on railway right-of-way, if left uncontrolled, can contribute to trackside fires and impair proper inspection of track infrastructure.

As such, for safe railway operations, the annual vegetation control program will be carried out on CN rail lines in the province of Saskatchewan. A certified applicator will be applying herbicides on and around the railway tracks (primarily along the 16-feet gravelled area). All product requirements for setbacks in the vicinity of dwellings, aquatic environments and municipal water supplies will be fulfilled.

At this time, we expect that the program will take place from May to October 2020.

Visit cn.ca/vegetation to consult the list of cities as well as the updated schedule.

Safety is a core value at CN and in the actual context of the COVID-19 pandemic, our employees and contractors are taking all measures to stay healthy and to protect the communities in which we operate. For more information, please visit cn.ca/covid-19-update.

For more information, please contact the CN Public Inquiry Line at contact@cn.ca or 1-888-888-5909.

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Canada Post receiving high level of parcel volumes

■ media release

With many Canadians isolating at home and shopping online, Canada Post is now processing and delivering parcels at levels only experienced during the busiest weeks of the Christmas season. In a release, Canada Post stated, “We are working hard to respond in a responsible manner, putting the safety of our people, and the communities we serve, first.”

Canada Post is advising customers across the country to expect delays with their parcel deliveries. “The heavy incom-

ing parcel volumes, combined with the important safety measures we’ve implemented in our processing facilities, mean it is taking longer to process. Those measures include physical distancing in facilities that were never designed for keeping people two metres apart.”

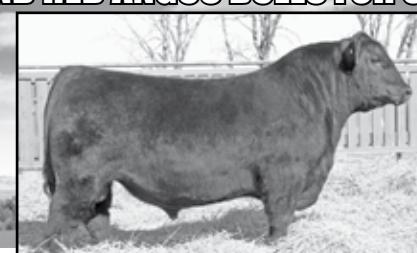
Canada Post stated it continues to operate across the country and has been delivering in record numbers. For example, on Monday, Apr. 20, Canada Post said it delivered more than 1.8 million parcels to Canadians. That is similar to the biggest delivery

days the company sees during the Christmas season.

“Canada Post is proud to continue providing an essential service to Canadians as everyone does their part to stop the spread of the virus. Our top priority from the start has been to put safety first. That has meant implementing significant changes right across our operations, following the guidance of national and local public health authorities.”

For the remaining parcels left at the post office for pickup (items requiring ID), Canada Post indicated they will not be returned-to-sender until further notice. “We’ve suspended our normal 15-day hold period. We ask that customers who are feeling ill or self-isolating, to please delay their visit to the post office and to pick up their parcel when it’s safe to do so. We’ve put physical-distancing measures in our post offices and installed clear plastic guards at the counter.”

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Opinion



Being thankful

— an opinion column
by TWM's editor Daniel Bushman

Amidst everything that is going on in the world, it can be tough to be thankful at times. There can be so much uncertainty as COVID-19 runs rampant across the globe sending economies spiralling, people to hospitals and families left without their loved ones.

I have used the word unprecedented a lot to describe our current state and truly it feels as

though this time is just that. However, with all of the uncertainty that is going on across the globe, it has also been a time where people have come together in support of each other.

I think I can safely say we've probably all felt down at least a few times over the past two months about the situation we have been faced with. I know I have had times of discouragement, frustration and not knowing what the next day will hold. But through my faith and reading stories or seeing pictures of people around the world coming together, it has been a good reminder for me to try to be thankful.

I am thankful to see the smiles of others as they social distance while playing a birthday song for a friend or as others head down the street performing a song of gratitude to their community.

I am thankful I have the opportunity to watch my kids Facetime their grandparents, cousins and friends to share about how their day went.

I am thankful for the teachers who are helping our children learn from home.

I am thankful for the emails, phone calls and texts I've received over the past two months encouraging us as at the newspaper to keep going, to keep providing local news and to keep publishing a paper for our readers.

I am thankful for our advertisers and readers who have placed advertisements with us and continue to do so, allowing us to keep printing a paper.

I am thankful for our subscribers who have signed up for our paper or who have renewed their subscriptions.

I am thankful for our local businesses who have continued to operate in our communities safely and hope that those who are unable to open will be able to do so safely soon.

I am thankful for the farmers who are able to get back on the fields to help feed the world.

I am thankful for all of those who have been doing their part to be safe while also keeping others safe in the process.

I am thankful for our frontline workers, health care workers, essential services workers, volunteers and others who have gone above and beyond during this time.

I am thankful that we live where we do and that we have an opportunity to keep the curve flattened or at least do our best to do so.

I am thankful for our staff and my family and the support they have shown us throughout this time.

I know there is still a long way to go for everyone but I am learning more and more to be grateful for the little things just as much as the big. While the road ahead will be long with its ups and downs, I hope that you can also find the little things to be thankful for. We are celebrating three birthdays this month in our home and while this year's celebrations will be very different than in previous years, we are thankful to be able to mark the occasion.

We are all in this together and we will get through this together. Thank you for your continued support and for your trust in our newspaper. Stay safe and have a great week ahead.



Tips from Reena Nerbas

off without damaging the piece? Thank you, Max

Dear Max,

Clean the entire cabinet using Murphy's Oil Soap and water. Rinse well. Wash all glass pieces using the following recipe: in a spray bottle, combine one teaspoon inexpensive shampoo, one-quarter cup rubbing alcohol and fill remainder of bottle with white vinegar. Spray and wipe.

Dear Reena,

My questions have to do with homemade pizza. What is the difference between pizza sauce and spaghetti sauce? How can I slice my freshly cooked pizza without damaging my non-stick pan? Is there a way to make pizza with cheese in the crust? Thank you, Ann

Dear Ann,

To bake and slice perfect pizza, consider pre-baking the pizza crust on a baking stone. Set on the second lowest rack and pre-heat the stone for several minutes at 475°F. Dock your dough to keep the crust from developing big air bubbles during the baking process. Use a fork to do this - poking holes all over the portion of the dough that will hold the toppings. Pre-bake the crust by itself for five minutes. Sprinkle dried oregano on top of your crust. Bake for another 5 minutes at 475°F. Brush the crust edges with olive oil and sprinkle with garlic salt. You can then either leave the pizza crust on the pizza stone or transfer the crust to a flat cookie sheet or an upside down baking sheet for baking. Finish with your favourite toppings and bake. Bake in bottom third of 425°F (220°C) oven until cheese is bubbly and crust is golden and slightly puffed.

Solutions and Substitutions

To prevent damage to non-sticks pans cut crust with a plastic knife or plastic pizza cutter so that the cheese does not lift off.

A simple way to create cheese stuffed crust is to roll dough so that it extends one inch past the pan. Purchase cheese strings and lay them on the border of the crust. Roll the dough over each cheese stick. Press well to ensure that the cheese remains covered with dough.

The basic difference between pizza sauce and spaghetti sauce is that spaghetti sauce is sweeter and thinner than pizza sauce.

Hints from the sensible

• To attain the shiniest windows in town, clean them with cornstarch and water. Put a few tablespoons of cornstarch into a spray bottle and fill with water. Spray and wipe windows. Use the remaining solution to clean stainless steel sinks.

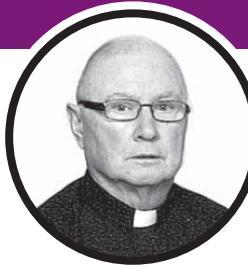
• I recently read your solution for a badly burnt pan. Something that works well is lemon juice. Just pour lemon juice into the pan and put it on the stove to heat up. As it is heating, use a heatproof spatula or lifter and start scraping. As you scrape the black stuff just starts to lift. A couple of years ago my mom had a very black, burnt copper bottom pan that she was using. I tried the lemon juice trick and soon the pan was good as new! Donna

• Instead of making a raised garden, I purchase 10 cinder blocks. I lay them in a rectangle formation in my garden. In the middle I lay sheets of newspaper on the ground. Then I fill all of the cinder blocks and the space in the middle with dirt. I plant herbs in each cinder block square and veggies in the middle. Doing this keeps everything separate and really cuts down on weeds. Submitted by: Lynn

Note: Every user assumes all risks of injury or damage resulting from the implementation of any suggestions in this column. Test all products on an inconspicuous area first.

Reena Nerbas is a popular motivational presenter for large and small groups; check out her website: reena.ca. Ask a question or share a tip at reena.ca.

Fear not, I have seen you before



Neighbourly advice according to Ed

A spiritual column by contributor Raymond Maher www.accordingtoed.com

I told Ed, my old neighbour, yesterday that it is hard to see your face without a mirror, but I limit looking in a mirror to the times I shave. Since we are encouraged to stay home in this pandemic, I feel the need to shave less often. When I look in the mirror, it tells me the truth I tend to ignore. There I see an old bald guy looking back at me.

Ed wisely told me that I should be glad that a mirror only shows what we

look like on the outside. Any day now Ed feels they will have a mirror that will show us our insides and spit out a printout of what organs and joints need replacing. He thinks that after the pandemic, we will be into self-doctoring, especially in diagnosis by apps and devices we use at home. We will tell health officials what is wrong with us and they will come to our house in a hospital equipped van. In the van, they operate, etc. and then return us, the patient, to our home with a robot to care for us.

I told him I would prefer the invention of a mirror that could reveal all our present feelings, hopes, and even our fears. My old neighbour felt that it would be an invasion of our privacy.

Ed also finds video chats from family and friends to be an invasion of privacy. He complained that they

call when they have a free minute and they catch you in your castle where they can see you and talk with you in whatever situation they find you. It is like company just dropping in on you. With video chats, others can see you watching sports in your underwear because your wife answered their video call.

I told Ed when my daughter video chatted from the Philippines, she looked great, but there I was on the screen looking totally old and bald. Seeing myself in my old appearance was distracting. Yes, I should have focused on seeing my daughter, not myself. I told my daughter that I look old and scary. She kindly said, "You look fine; I have seen you before."

Video chats help us to see ourselves as others see our appearance. Our appearance and the appearance of others are only part of the story of who we

are and our present and future. Thankfully God does not look at the outside of us as the most important thing about us but looks at our hearts as of foremost importance.

In the Old Testament, the prophet Samuel was to anoint one of the sons of Jesse at Bethlehem to be king. The Lord instructed Samuel, "The Lord does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."

Seven of Jesse's sons were not chosen to be king, but the youngest son, the one tending sheep, was picked to be king because of God's direction to Samuel.

Our hearts, not our appearance, matter to God. Although we cannot see Christ, we believe in Him in our hearts as our Saviour and King risen from the dead on the third day. Death could not hold him.

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“Sports”

Lockwood's Dumanski taken in WHL Bantam Draft

■ Daniel Bushman

As soon as he could hold a stick and wear skates, Lockwood's Bauer Dumanski knew he wanted to play hockey. That passion for the game has continued to grow over the years and as a member of the Humboldt Broncos AA Bantam team, Dumanski was recently selected by the Prince George Cougars during the Western Hockey League's 2020 Bantam Draft.

The son of Jason and Lindsay Dumanski said he had been talking with the Cougars leading up to the Apr. 22 WHL Bantam Draft and had a feeling he could be headed west. "I knew that if I was still there they were taking me at either the 22nd or 26th spot so it was kind of expected. And

26th overall by the Cougars, Dumanski said, "Being selected by the Prince George Cougars is a great opportunity for me. They've got a very young hockey team with lots of strong prospects for future years and I am really looking forward to playing with the Cougars in the future."

With all of his hard work over the years and attaining the opportunity to be drafted at the Western Hockey League level, Dumanski who is the current captain of the Broncos said it meant everything to see his name appear next to Prince George. "I cannot wait to see what the future holds for the Cougars."

Thanks to a number of great coaches and people who have been influential throughout his minor hockey career, Bauer singled out his dad Jason who he noted

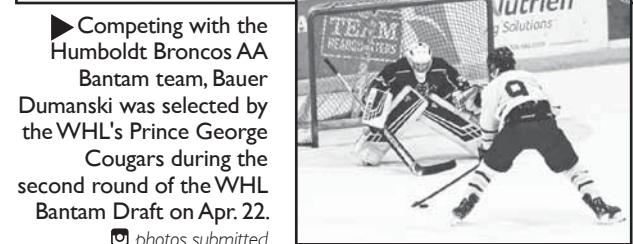
is at the top of that list. "He is always the one to push me to go the extra distance and always will make sure I get where I am going."

Selected in the top 28 as part of the Sask First Team, the left-handed shooting defenceman said now that he has been drafted by the Cougars he will continue to work out and refine his skills. Then in the fall and after much consideration, Dumanski plans on competing with the Saskatoon Contacts of the SMAAHL. He will also take part in Prince George's training camp where he will try and make a lasting impression.



► Competing with the Humboldt Broncos AA Bantam team, Bauer Dumanski was selected by the WHL's Prince George Cougars during the second round of the WHL Bantam Draft on Apr. 22.

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Area resident instrumental in local ball and hockey passes away

■ Daniel Bushman

For someone who loved sports and the camaraderie that came with it, when Hilton Hughes was not milking his cows on the farm you could find the local area resident either at a ball diamond or a hockey rink somewhere in Saskatchewan.

Moving to Lockwood in 1941, over the years Hughes would not only become an influential presence within both sports but through his efforts was honoured on a number of occasions. After turning 93 a few months ago, Hilton passed away Apr. 24, 2020 in Lanigan Hospital and while Hughes' physical presence is gone, like others from this area who have been so instrumental over the years, his legacy remains.

Born in Cupar to W.E. (Ernie) Hughes and Lillie Gertrude Ward, after his mom passed away when he was just two years old, Hilton and his family moved from Cupar to Lockwood. During his years in the community, Hughes could be found playing, coaching or managing a local ball team. For his contribution to the province's rich baseball heritage, Hughes earned a nod in the Individual category from the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame in 1987. Hughes also received a special award of merit in 1991 and was entered into the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame for the Lockwood and National Midget Organizing Committee under the Community Category in 2002.

Recognizing Hilton's work within the sport, the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame provided The Watrous Manitou with his induction nomination originally written by Larry Balon: "Hilton began playing ball while attending school shortly after moving to Lockwood. He played junior with a Lockwood team in 1946 and 1947. He played senior when the Lockwood team was formed in 1948. He has been involved with the Lockwood senior team either as a player, coach or manager to the present time. He played an important role in the formation of the Long Lake Baseball League in 1960 and has served as President to the present time. Other teams have come and gone but through Hilton's efforts, Lockwood has always had a team in the league. When the provincial Twilight program started in 1975, Hilton organized a team from the area to participate. A Lockwood team has participated each of the 10 years, winning the A Division once and other divisions on numerous occasions. This Twilight team continues because of the effort made by Hilton. He now serves as a member of the Twilight Advisory Committee."

Spotting Hilton at a baseball diamond whether it was with one of the Lockwood teams over the years or as a fan of the sport was not an unusual sight. That was also the case when it came to hockey as Hughes not only provided

ed aspiring referees with a wealth of information but he was instrumental in seeing the growth of the local senior league as well.

Assuming the role of Long Lake Hockey League Referee in Chief in 1978 and holding that position for decades, Hughes was recognized by the league in late 2017 for his involvement. The announcement during the LLHL game in Drake came as a surprise to no one (except for Hilton).

The Watrous Manitou had the privilege of speaking with Hughes and others involved with the league about the memorable evening for an article which appeared in the Jan. 29, 2018 edition of The Watrous Manitou.

As part of that commemorative evening, LLHL President Ryan Collins and LLHL Secretary and Statistician Vern Rudneski presented Hughes with a winter jacket embroidered with the words Long Lake Hockey League. Along with members of his family, a handful of officials mentored over the years by Hughes were also on hand for the occasion.

Collins, who is not only the league president but officiates himself said in that article it was an honour to be a part of the ceremony. "Wherever I went as an official or player, I think he was at every game and I think he has probably been to every rink in Saskatchewan."

Over the decades, Hughes helped to organize when, where and which officials and linesmen would be headed to each arena in the region while also acting as Referee in Chief for the league since its inception in 1978. Hilton also officiated many senior and some minor hockey league contests himself.

In the article, Collins stated through the years Hughes was able to provide officials with insight and experience. "You could always ask Hilton a question about officiating and everyone looked up to him. He earned a lot of respect around the league and he is just a genuine human being and a professional. Everyone comes and goes on the LLHL executive but Hilton has been there since the league's inception. We are very grateful for his service and dedication."

Rudneski also shared in the Jan. 29, 2018 article that Hughes was respected by both players and officials. "He was a mentor to many young officials as he visited with them between periods offering encouragement and helpful tips. He drove many miles following hockey games . . . The LLHL felt it was time to acknowledge the many years of dedication."

Receiving the accolades, at that time Hughes said it was a tremendous honour. "It meant a lot and what I've done has been rewarding."

While playing hockey was always part of Hilton's DNA, officiating was not far behind. With a vast knowledge of



► Lockwood's Hilton Hughes was a big part of the local ball and hockey scenes over the years and had been recognized within both sports for his many contributions.

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the game, Hughes enjoyed playing the sport but swapped his stick for a whistle in 1952.

"I went to Cupar one night with Nokomis in case they were short," said Hughes in the article from 2018. "Funny part was, I was standing and talking to my uncle and somebody from Cupar asked me if I would represent Nokomis on the ice."

Looking to lend a hand, Hughes grabbed a whistle and that is where it all started. Hilton would go on to call hundreds of games throughout his career, making good friendships and earning respect from players, coaches and fans along the way.

"It was the camaraderie that I enjoyed. If you respected the players then they would respect you. You could be the best official in the world but if you were against them and they saw that . . . you had to earn their respect and to get it you had to earn it and that is what I tried to do."

With a love for hockey, the father, grandfather and great-grandfather also shared about having to juggle milking cows while wanting to officiate. "I would milk the cows in the morning, then go officiate at one of the rinks. I remember doing a tournament in Simpson and I milked the cows in the morning then went and did a game and came back to do chores before driving back to Simpson for the night game. That was just part of everyday life back then."

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At the time, Hughes also recalled being able to do a Pee Wee tournament in Watrous one year. Citing the experience as an honour, Hughes remembered hundreds of people packing the rink. Three of the teams represented were from Watrous, Foam Lake and Eston and one of the players on Foam Lake's team was future NHL'er Bernie Federko.

Throughout his time as an official, Hughes enjoyed being on the ice and as the years went by, soon the Long Lake Hockey League was officially formed. Taking on the position of Referee in Chief for the league in 1978, Hilton was

instrumental in that role. Then in June 1988 he was honoured as a life member of the Saskatchewan Amateur Hockey Association referee division, something not many people in the province are recognized for.

Wes Smith, past Referee's Division Executive Member and SODM (Saskatchewan Officiating Development Model) Supervisor with the Saskatchewan Hockey Association spent many officiating years with Hilton on the executive of the Referees Division. Both Zone coordinators in the Division for many years, Smith said in the 2018 arti-

cle the pair spent lots of weekends together planning for upcoming seasons in addition to watching officials in their respective areas.

"Before the days of instant communication that we enjoy today, we relied on Hilton to find out the early outcome of many provincial playoff games. He seemed to attend one every night somewhere within his driving range. Some of the games he was actually on the ice so he could give a firsthand account of the game he had seen."

Smith also had the honour of presenting Hilton with his Lifetime Award with the Referees Division and when he found out the

LLHL also acknowledged Hughes for his dedication to the game, he was thrilled.

"He was great to work with as he has such a sense of humour that he could easily diffuse a volatile situation both on and off the ice. I am so glad the Long Lake Hockey League honoured Hilton for his service. I played in that league before I went over to the 'dark side.' I knew Hilton then and my parents were friends with the Hughes' as well as I grew up south on Hwy. 20 near Nokomis. I will always respect him for his many contributions to hockey."

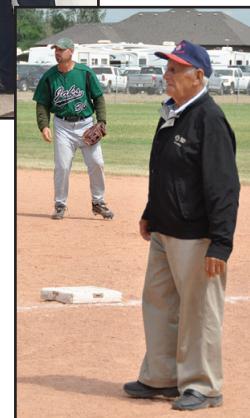
After Hughes retired from officiating about a decade ago, his role with the LLHL continued as did his love for the sport. In fact, Hilton's love for the game has been passed down through his children, grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Just a few days before he passed, his great-grandson Bauer Dumanski was selected in the second round of the Western Hockey League's Bantam Draft by the Prince George Cougars.

Residing in Lockwood until his passing, Hilton's ashes will be buried in Lockwood Cemetery. Because of COVID-19, no funeral arrangements are planned at this date and in lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to Lockwood Cemetery or a charity of your choice.



►After moving from Cupar to Lockwood when he was just a youngster, Hilton Hughes became integral in both the local ball and hockey scene over the years. Hughes received accolades in both sports for his dedication to each.

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ventilators than previously announced, staged activation of COVID-19, non-COVID-19, and mixed hospitals remains the same.

That means if required due to patient demand and safety, Watrous has been designated as a COVID-19 hospital while Lanigan has been designated a temporary conversion to alternate level of care patients.

If the need arrives, Watrous will have staged stand up based on demand and would receive COVID-19 patients only. Emergency services would remain open according to the report. Lanigan would see stand up starting immediately and phased over four to six weeks with a temporary suspension of emergency services.

SHA said these changes are not immediate but the health authority proactively identified 20 out of its 65 hospitals that would be designated COVID-19 hospitals. COVID-19 hospitals will initially act as mixed hospitals but as the COVID-19 patient census increases, non-COVID patients may be relocated from the facility to non-COVID or mixed hospitals.

The staged responses related to integrated rural health stems from a potential increased demand through a combination of COVID and non-COVID facilities. That includes no facility closures and temporarily converting some hospitals like Lanigan to support alternative level of care patients. That would mean alternate level of care patients will flow from tertiary and regional hospitals to create capacity in those locations. There would also be a temporary suspension of emergency department services to support reallocation of staff to higher need sites. SHA said no field hospitals for the local area have been contemplated as capacity in the rural area exists and timing and trigger points for deployment of the plan may be adjusted.

With the latest modelling data released Apr. 28, SHA and the Ministry of Health said they are developing a plan to resume, in a staged approach, community services, elective surgeries and diagnostics that were impacted by earlier service slowdowns. The elements of this plan will be activated in phases, with each phase triggered by surveillance data on transmission of the virus in the community. Identification of which services will resume will consider factors such as highest priority patient needs, risk of transmission of the virus, impact on COVID-19 surge capacity, impact on inventory of personal protective equipment and other factors.

"Going forward there will be ups and downs in our fight against COVID-19," Saskatchewan Health Authority Chief Medical Officer Dr. Susan Shaw said. "That is why it is so critical that we be guided by the data and be willing to adapt as we learn more about COVID-19 and how the virus is behaving in the Saskatchewan context. While we support the province's plan for gradually reopening the province, it is a critical time to remind Saskatchewan residents that this will be a phased process

where we still need our citizens to be vigilant and practice the same precautions that have proven effective to date."

SHA said Saskatchewan residents can continue to help by taking specific action, including: practicing good hygiene, washing hands regularly and physical distancing (two metres apart wherever possible); staying home, whenever and wherever possible; abiding by provincial and local travel, self-isolation, event and gathering restrictions; and avoiding visiting hospitals and long-term care facilities, unless there are compassionate reasons for doing so.

As of Apr. 28 when the new modelling data was released, Saskatchewan had one new confirmed case of COVID-19 in the Regina region, bringing the provincial total to 366. However, the following day a total of 17 new confirmed cases were reported including a sixth death in the province and a cluster identified in Lloydminster.

As of Apr. 29 the provincial total increased to 383 with 11 of the new cases from the far north (La Loche), five from the north region (four in Lloydminster) and one from the Saskatoon area.

Eighty-six of the cases were considered active while recoveries remained at 291. As of Apr. 29, there were 10 people in hospital – seven are receiving inpatient care (four in Lloydminster and three in Saskatoon), while three are in intensive care (Saskatoon).

The new COVID-19 cases in Lloydminster were linked to a cluster based in Lloydminster Hospital. Thirteen cases have been identified, including five health care workers and eight patients, and transmission has occurred in the hospital setting.

As of Apr. 29 patients were being cohorted in separate units in Lloydminster Hospital. All health care workers who have been identified as close contacts with a confirmed case are being tested as the contact investigation continues.

Meanwhile, a couple of mass-gathering events were recently held in Saskatchewan where the provincial government stated organizers mistakenly believed that gatherings were allowed as long as attendees maintained two metres of separation. However, these types of group events are not allowed – whether or not people practise physical distancing. Any gatherings that exceeds 10 people are in violation of the current public health order.

As Saskatchewan reached a total of 383, comparatively, Canada had a total of 50,373 cases with the most in Quebec (25,757) followed by Ontario (15,728), Alberta (4,850) and B.C. (2,053). Next door in Manitoba, there were 272 cases. Overall in Canada there were 2,905 deaths due to COVID-19.

Globally, according to the World Health Organization, there were almost three million confirmed cases with nearly 205,000 deaths. The United States accounted for almost one million of those confirmed cases with 50,492 deaths.

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Fewer than 10 people in a gathering.



Frequent handwashing and cleaning of surfaces.



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**Keep household contacts to a small, consistent
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The 2020 BHP High School Scholarship program is now open offering scholarships to upcoming or recent graduates, under the age of 30 from a participating school / community / First Nation including: Annaheim, Beardy's and Okemasis' Cree Nation, Day Star First Nation, Englefeld, Fishing Lake First Nation, George Gordon First Nation, Humboldt, Kawacatoose First Nation, Lanigan, LeRoy, Muenster, Muskowekwan First Nation, Punnichy, Quill Lake, Raymore, Watson or Wynyard.

For eligibility requirements and application forms, contact any of the following:

- Your school's Guidance Counselor or Principal
- First Nation post-secondary coordinator or Labour Force Development (LFD) coordinator
- Our BHP Scholarship Committee and managing partner - Carlton Trail College at www.carltontrailcollege.com, email Scholarships@carltontrailcollege.com; Facebook or Twitter (@CarltonTrail) or by calling 1-800-667-2623 for an application form.
- BHP at (306)286-4411 or by email at Ann.Paton@bhp.com

Application deadline is 29 May 2020



3D printing helps BHP support Saskatchewan health care workers

■ media release

Albert Einstein was once quoted as saying, "It has become appallingly obvious that our technology has exceeded our humanity."

Try telling that to Marcus Dionne, an embedded contractor in BHP's potash business in Canada.

Marcus focuses on technology projects to make the Jansen Potash Project more productive. With the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, Marcus eyed a chance to use technology in a way to help the local community in Saskatchewan.

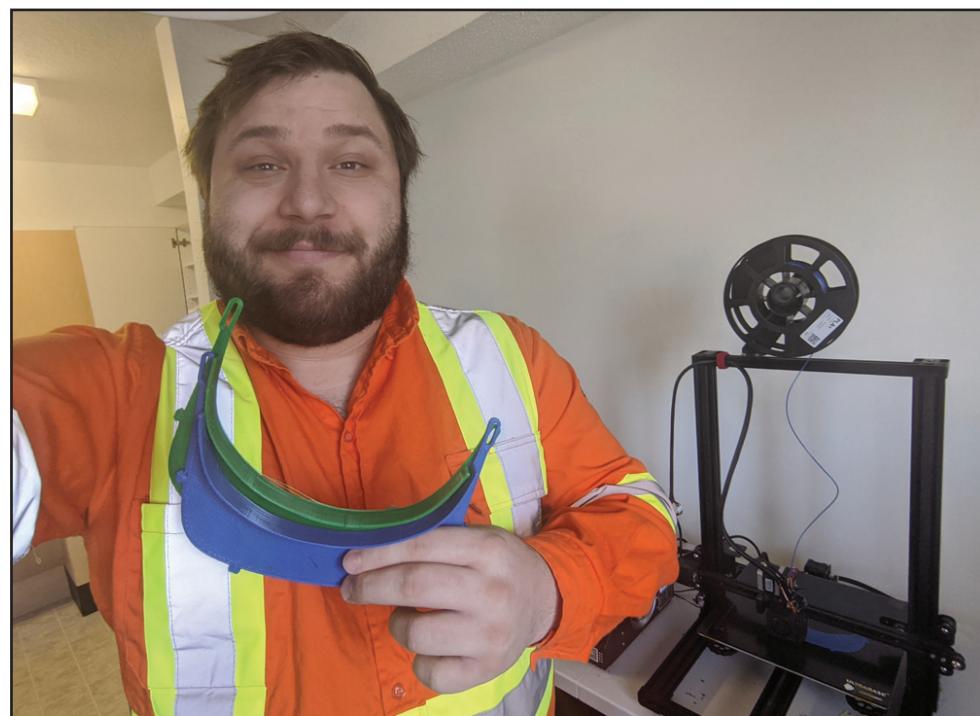
Like many places around the world, disposable face shields for health care workers were in short supply in Saskatchewan. The local area frontline workers sought out something they could get their hands on to help keep them safe.

Marcus contacted Wave of the Fu-

ture 3D Printing, a local company that has been printing equipment and protective gear amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. He noticed his team had some spare material that could be used to print disposable face shields. So he reached out and together they worked out how they could use the materials to print the much needed shields.

Within a week, he printed over 20 face shields and distributed them to local organizations like the Saskatoon Health Region. Being a passionate problem solver, Marcus and his team are now working on ways to accelerate the process to print more, much faster.

"Technology really helps the Jansen project team. In these tough times there is also a huge opportunity to use it to help out the community that is working to keep us all safe and well." Marcus said. "It's a tight-knit community so we all want to look out for each other and get through this together."



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BHP and Carlton Trail College partnership rewards students

■ media release

BHP is pleased to announce the recipients of the Jansen Potash Project's 2019 high school scholarship program. A total of \$75,000 in scholarships was awarded to regional high school graduates and returning post-secondary students from communities and First Nations located near BHP's Jansen Project in east-central Saskatchewan.

Eighteen scholarships, each with a value of \$2,500, were presented to students from eight Horizon School Division schools. Another 10 youth from six First Nations communities received scholarships totaling \$30,000.

This year's recipients included: Easton Bitternose from George Gordon First Nation; Shanai Bitternose from George Gordon First Nation; Taylor Block from LeRoy School; Tyler Buffalo from Day Star First Nation; Kaitlyn Crossland from LeRoy School; Tatiana Crowe-Buffalo from Day Star First Nation/Raymore School; Kelsey Desjarlais from Beardy's and Okemasis First Nation; Madisyn Engle from Muenster School; Danielle Guina from Wynyard Composite High School; Jenna Hofmann from Humboldt Collegiate Institute; Dylan Jackson from Lanigan Central High School; Kirk Kehler from Kawacatoose First Nation; Paige Korte from Humboldt Collegiate Institute; Jaclynn Leibel from Wynyard Composite High School; Reilly Mackay from Lanigan Central High School; Keira Magus from

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Kaylee Sunshine-Vogelaar from Fishing Lake First Nation; Nathan Tremblay from Humboldt Collegiate Institute; Brooklyn Ulrich from Annaheim School; and Shanna Yahyahkeekoot from Beardy's and Okemasis First Nation.

"Our partnership with BHP is truly win-win," said Deanna Gaetz, Business and Skills Training Manager with Carlton Trail College. "Beyond the administrative support we're able to provide, our strong presence as an education and training provider means we can connect BHP to interested and motivated youth within the region, helping to develop a highly skilled, future workforce."

Since the program's start in 2013, BHP has awarded \$452,000 in scholarships to over 160 students. Applications for BHP's 2020 scholarships are now being accepted until May 29, 2020. Details can be found at www.carltontrailcollege.com.

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Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll of the RM of Usborne for 2020 has been prepared and is now open to inspection at the Office of the Administrator of the municipality from 9 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1 to 4 p.m., Monday to Friday inclusive.

Any person who desires to object to the assessment of himself/herself or of any other person must lodge his/her complaint in writing with the Administrator of the municipality by the 29th day of June, 2020.

Please note that due to COVID-19, staff are working remotely. Please contact the office or visit www.rmusborne.ca for more information.

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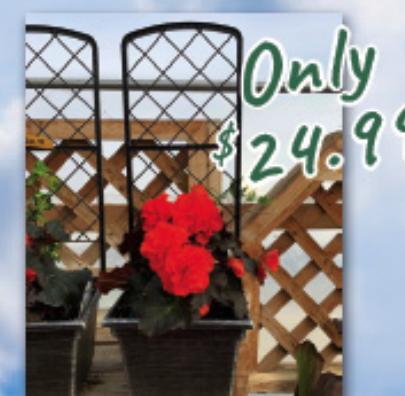
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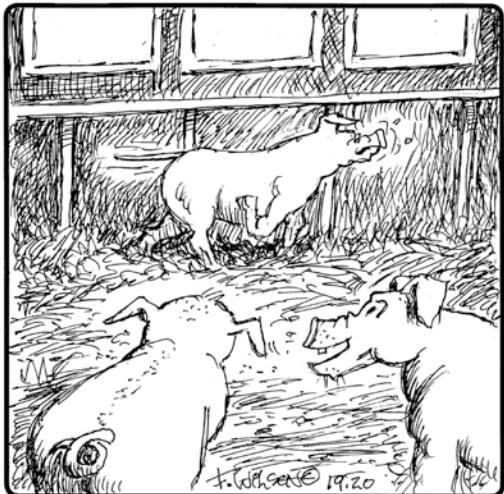
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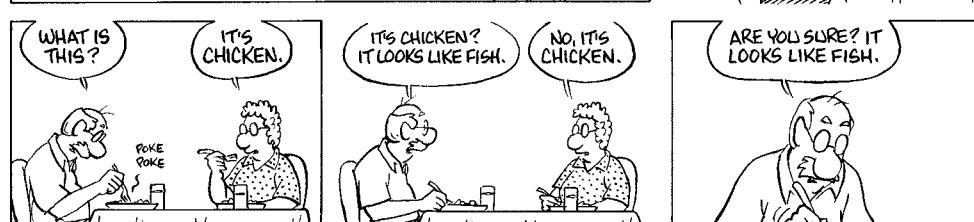


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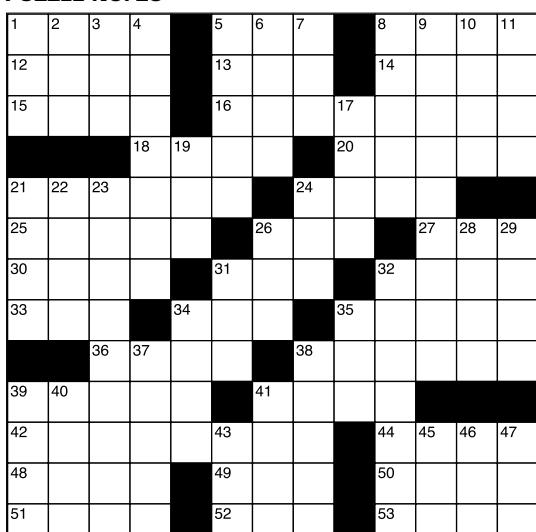


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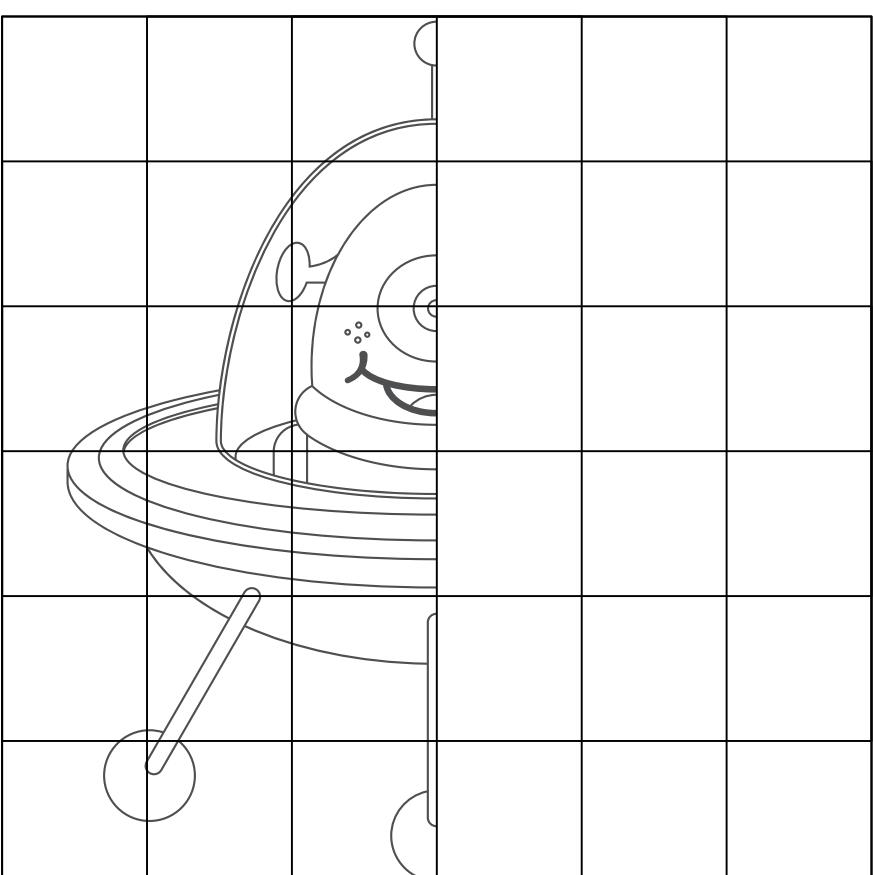
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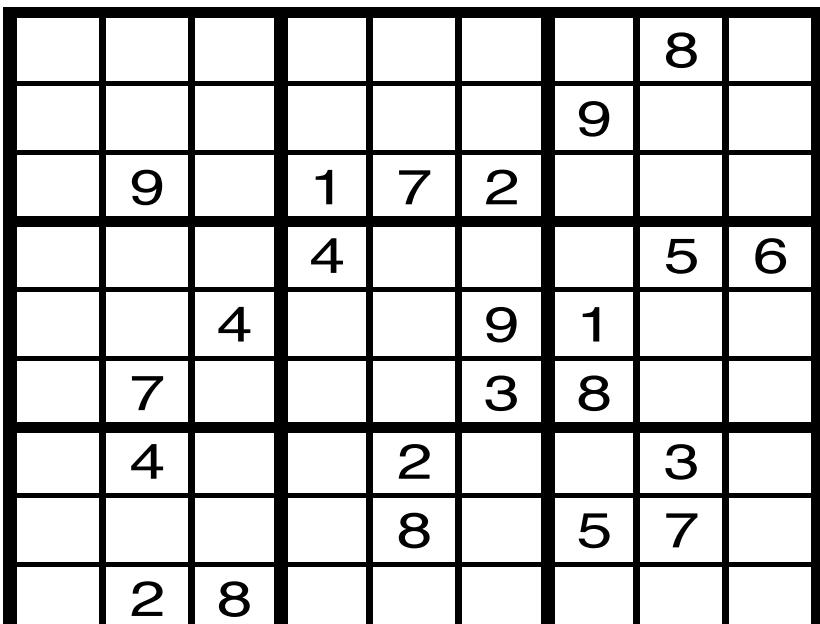
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“Notices AND Classifieds”

Obituary



HUGHES, Hilton

Feb. 5, 1927 -

Apr. 24, 2020

Hilton Hughes, aged 93 years, passed away at Lanigan Hospital on Friday, Apr. 24, 2020. He goes to join our mom, Gladys June (Toots) (2009) and our brother, Ern (2019).

Hilton was born in Cupar to W. E. (Ernie) Hughes and Lillie Gertrude Ward (she passed away when Hilton and Hilda were two years old). The

Hughes family moved from Cupar to Lockwood in 1941 and that's where Hilton resided until his passing.

Hilton leaves to mourn: Judy (Ken) Dumanski, Lillie James, June (Jim) Reid, Cheryl Hughes plus grandchildren: Jason (Lindsay), Kris, Allison (Brandon), Fischer (Marina), Walker (Alexis), Kevin (Janice), Matthew (Chelsea), Joshua (Mal), Jody and 14 greatgrandchildren. He is also survived by his twin sister Hilda (Forrest) Pederson, sister-in-law Becky Jones, Toots' family: Vernell (Walter) Freybe, Shirley (Bob) Gordon, Carol, Clarence (Edna) and Vern (Shirley Ann) Fischer.

He was predeceased by his parents, step-mother Bertha Grace (Jones), brothers Melvin (Nonie) and Walter Hughes, sisters Margaret (Albert) Krause and Erma (Don) Edwards, step-brother Barclay Jones, son-in-law Bruce James as well as June's parents Ted and

Mary Fischer and brother-in-law Edward (Sod) Fischer.

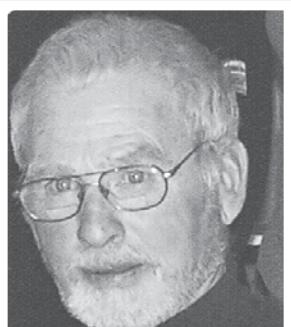
His ashes will be buried in Lockwood Cemetery – because of COVID-19, no funeral arrangements are planned at this date.

Memorial donations directed to Lockwood Cemetery or a charity of your choice would be appreciated.

For online condolences, tributes or updated information please check www.fotheringham-mcdougall.com



In memory



CARLSON - In memory of Ross, Oct. 24, 1933 - May 4, 2015:

You are always in our hearts.
- Love from your family.



SCHAAN - It has been a year since I have lost my dear, but this poem should help us get through another year:

Those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us every day.
Unseen, unheard, but always near,
always near,

So loved, so missed, so very dear.

- We love you, Garry, Curtis, Trisha and Curtis.



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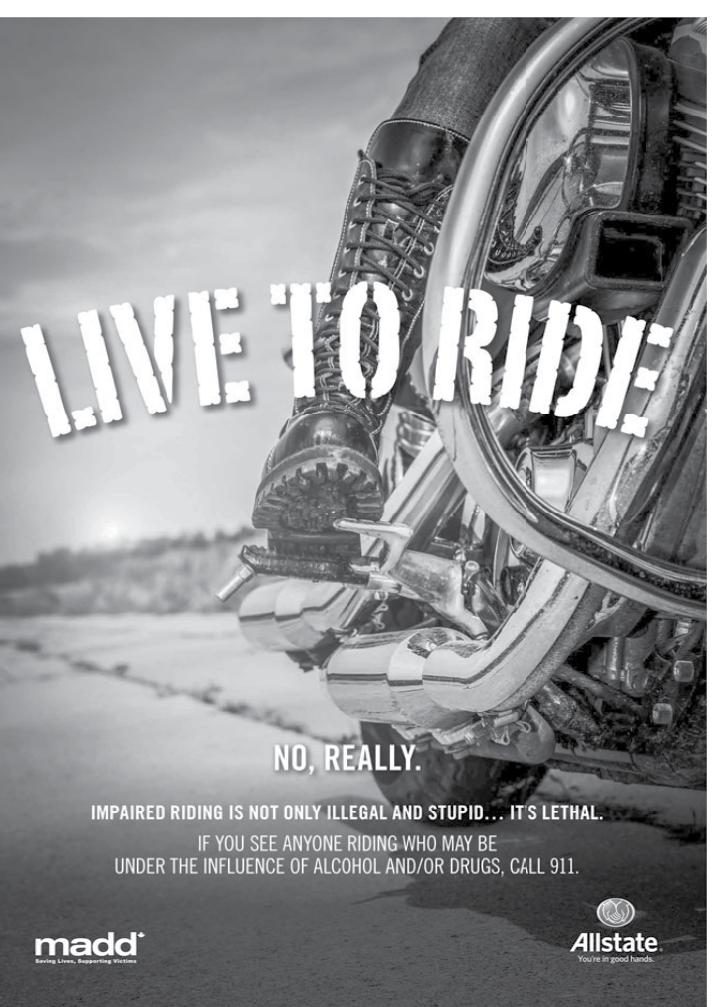
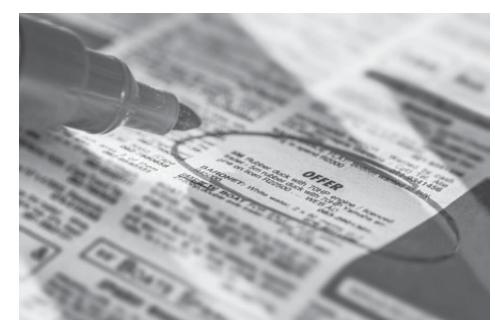
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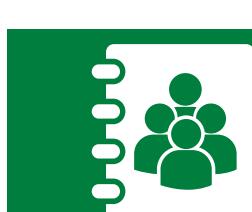
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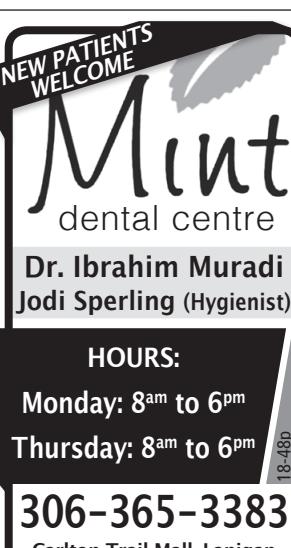
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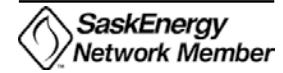


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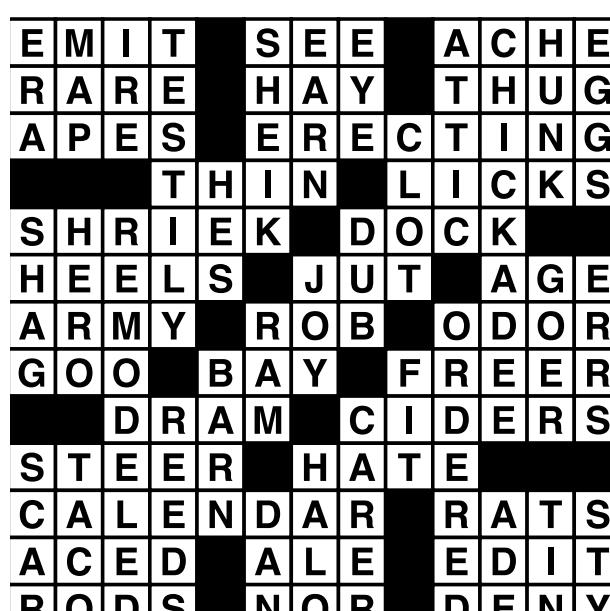
Ingredients:

10 cups puffed wheat
10 - 12 large marshmallows
1/2 cup butter
1 cup corn syrup
1/4 cup brown sugar
6 tbsp. cocoa
1 tsp. vanilla
1/2 cup peanut butter

Directions:

Combine all ingredients except puffed wheat and vanilla in a large pot. Heat on medium low until the marshmallows are melted. Simmer for about another minute. Stir constantly. Take off heat, add vanilla then stir in puffed wheat until coated. Press into a buttered 9 x 13 pan. Stays very soft and chewy!

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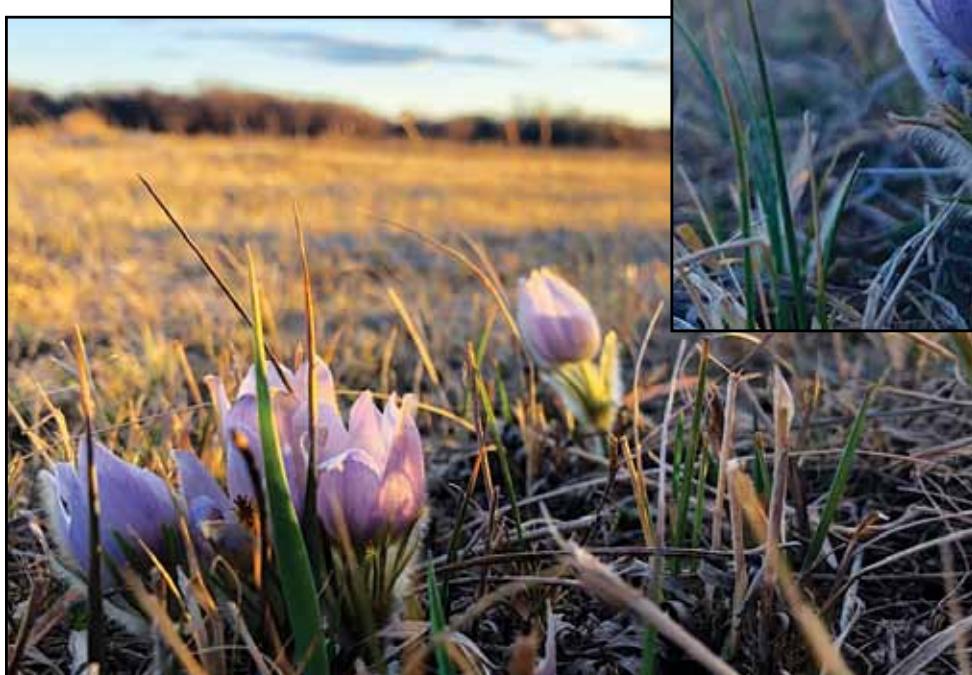
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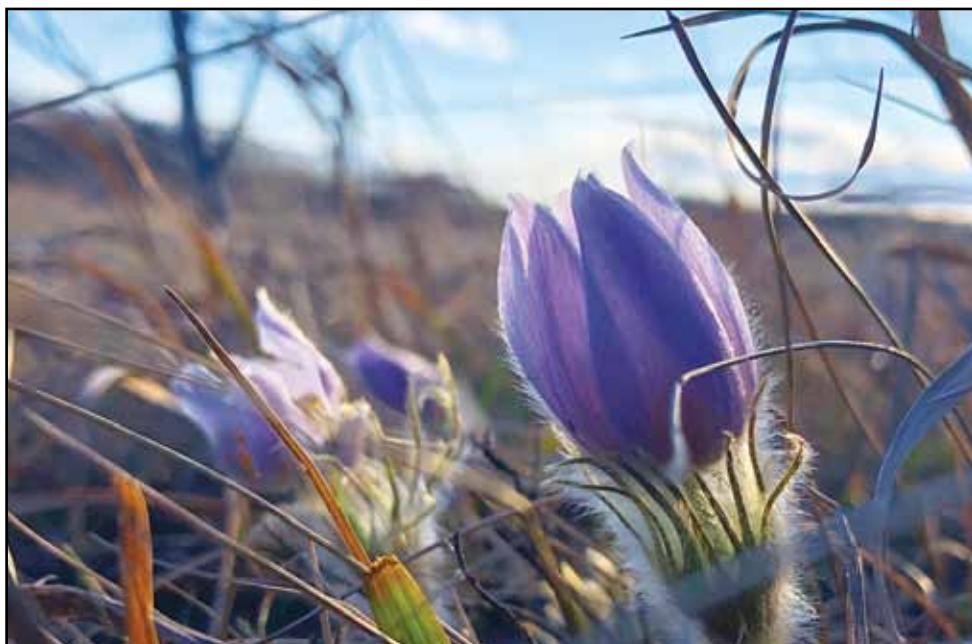
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